

IN THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1 Claim 1. (*Original*) A skidsteer lock, comprising:

2 a base plate having a front surface, the base plate being adapted for attachment to the
3 skidsteer;

4 first and second sleeves extending normal to the front surface of the base plate;

5 a storage sleeve disposed on the front surface of said base plate;

6 a locking assembly disposed on said first sleeve, the locking assembly having a locked
7 configuration and an unlocked configuration; and

8 a U-bar having an arcuate portion and first and second parallel legs extending from the
9 arcuate portion, the legs being removably inserted in said first and second sleeves, the legs being
10 adapted for receiving a control lever of the skidsteer there between, the U-bar being retained by
11 said locking mechanism when the legs are inserted in said first and second sleeves and said locking
12 assembly is in the locked configuration.

1 Claim 2. (*Original*) The skidsteer lock according to claim 1, wherein said locking assembly
2 comprises a housing disposed on said first sleeve and a lock mechanism disposed within the
3 housing, the lock mechanism being movable between a locked position and an unlocked position.

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1 Claim 3. (*Original*) The skidsteer lock according to claim 2, wherein said lock mechanism is a
2 combination lock mechanism.

1 Claim 4. (*Original*) The skidsteer lock according to claim 3, wherein said combination lock
2 mechanism has a changeable combination.

1 Claim 5. (*Original*) The skidsteer lock according to claim 1, wherein said locking assembly
2 further comprises a latch member extendible into said first sleeve when said locking assembly is in
3 the locked configuration.

1 Claim 6. (*Original*) The skidsteer lock according to claim 5, wherein at least one notch is formed
2 in the first leg of said U-bar, whereby said latch member engages with the slot when the legs are
3 inserted in said first and second sleeves and said locking assembly is in the locked configuration.

1 Claim 7. (*Original*) The skidsteer lock according to claim 1, further comprising means for
2 removably securing one of the legs of said U-bar in said storage sleeve.

1 Claim 8. (*Original*) The skidsteer lock according to claim 1, further comprising means for
2 attaching said base plate to the safety cage of the skidsteer.

1 Claim 9. (*Original*) A skidsteer lock, comprising:

2 a base plate having a front surface, the base plate being adapted for attachment to the
3 skidsteer;

4 first and second sleeves extending normal to the front surface of the base plate;

5 a storage sleeve disposed on the front surface of said base plate;

6 a U-bar having an arcuate portion and first and second parallel legs extending from the
7 arcuate portion, the legs being removably inserted through the first and second sleeves, the first and
8 second legs being adapted for receiving a control lever of the skidsteer there between; and
9 means for locking said first and second legs within said first and second sleeves in order
10 to restrict movement of the control lever.

1 Claim 10. (*Original*) The skidsteer lock according to claim 9, further comprising means for
2 removably securing one of the legs of said U-bar in said storage sleeve.

1 Claim 11. (*Original*) The skidsteer lock according to claim 9, further comprising means for
2 attaching said base plate to a safety cage of the skidsteer.

1 Claim 12. (*Original*) The skidsteer lock according to claim 9, wherein each of the U-bar legs has
2 a distal end passing through said base plate when the legs are inserted through the sleeves, said
3 means for locking comprising a lock mechanism removably attached to the distal end of at least one
4 of the U-bar legs.